SWEET MAY WIELD GAVEL FOR HOUSE

Oswego Man Said To Be Progressive Republicans' Pick for Speaker.

HORTON PUT DOWN FOR FLOOR LEADER

Bull Moose Leaders to Take Up Question of Candidate at Meeting on January 5.

ressive Republicans of the state had deided to support Assemblyman Thaddeus C. Sweet, of Oswego, for Speaker of the Assembly: Clinton T. Horton, of Erie, for Republican floor leader, and John

man of the Ways and Means Committee. Ogden L. Mills, treasurer of the Repub Hean County Committee, recently made four of the state to determine just what sentiment there was for a progressive or ganization of the Assembly. On Friday night he had several of the local leaders and a dozen or more of the upstate proat his home, No. 9 East 84th street.

When the attention of Mr. Mills was called to the report that the Progressive day Republicans had decided whom they would support in the organization of the Assembly, he said:

participated, and at which, among other ing the names of Sweet, Horton, Sullivan and Hoff.

function of such a conference to deter-Speaker, as as to any other of its officers, Hessler. Rafayette's Dog nor was that done."

Mr. Mills said he did not care to give a Russak's Harmonists and Savo. list of those at the conference. It is understood, however, that among those present were Henry L. Stimson, Representative William L. Calder, of Brooklyn; Representative C. M. Hamilton, of Chautauqua: Frederick C. Greiner, of Buffalo: Harvey D. Hinman, of Binghamton, and Samuel S. Koenig, president of the Republican County Committee.

All of these Assemblymen have been less active candidates for Speaker. The Mr. Hoff spoken of is Assemblyman-elect Almeth W. Hoff, of the 18th District, Kings County. However, he has not had much strength upstate, and it has been a question as to which of the three others might be able to com mand the most votes in the Republican JACK NORWORTH, the musical comcaucus as opposed to the candidate of edy star, with many new songs, is the tle its own delegate contests.

would be strong among that group. gressive district. He was elected on a posed direct primaries. He has always urged this reform. His friends say that ed to his fifth term in the Assembly.

However, the general belief is that he has vaudeville ideas in songs and dances, and some man up his sleeve who would carry the Four Harveys, European aerialists.

the balance of power. This group includes here are Wellington Cross and Lois Je- much deliberation, had held that only Speaker. They have to be reckoned with. on "Cleopatra"; Belle Blanche, the prima however, when it comes to the election of donna comedienne; Joseph Jefferson with

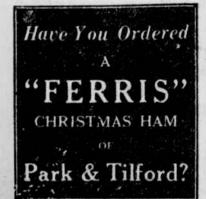
consider the question of Speaker, and has sichorean specialties, and Roser's Aerial called it to meet in this city on January Dogs. 5. He believes that by that time the situation will be so complicated that the Progressives may come in in such a way as to secure considerable advantage to themselves on committee places.

One thing that the Progressive Republicans have considered is that there must be absolute team work between the Speaker, the Republican floor leader and the chairman of the Ways and Means Committee. They believe that in selecting the men for these places the qualifications of each candidate should be considered with reference to all the places.

After the Republican conference at the Waldorf on December 5 there was a conference of Republican Assemblymen-elect at the Republican Club. A resolution declaring against the selection of a candidate for Speaker who might favor the ideas of Chairman Barnes was offered, but failed of passage.

To Increase Postal Deposits.

Washington, Dec. 15 .- A bill to remove the limitation on the amount toat may be accepted from depositors in the postal savings banks was passed to-day by the House. The measure permits unlimited deposits, but fixes \$1,000 as the maximum upon which interest shall be paid. Under the present law the limit is \$100 in each calendar month, no account to exceed \$500, exclusive of accumulated interest.



HITS OSCAR'S AGENTS, TOO FEAR DEFEAT FOR

Court Extends Opera Injunction to Employes-Appeal Likely.

Final judgment was entered yesterda; by Judge Pendleton in the Supreme Court of New York County in the injunction suit brought by the Metropolitan Opera Company against Oscar and Arthur Hammerstein. Under the court's order both and each of them are restrained and enjoined until April 26, 1920, from being or becoming, directly or indirectly, engaged in or interested or connected in the business of producing grand opera in any language in the cities of New York and

The decree specifically extends the innction to the agents, employes, attornevs and servants of the defendants. Oscar Hammerstein refused to com-

ment upon Justice Pendleton's injunction except to say that it did not concern him

IN THE VARIETIES

Leo Sullivan, of Chautauqua, for chair- Eva Tanguay and Her Show Again-Many Novelties Among the Featured Attractions.

EVA TANGUAY, at the head of her own company, continues at the Forty- ing that a national convention should fourth Street Music Hall this week, presenting practically the same programme gressive leaders at a dinner conference Miss Tanguay is offering all new songs. with new costumes for each number. The customary matinees will be given every

LILLIAN LORRAINE heads the anniversary programme at Hammerstein's this week with an elaborate song number in which many of the upstate leaders daughter, Liane Carrera, remains for participated, and at which small state of the control of the contro another week in Irving Berlin's musical matters of party policy, the names of playlet. Others are B. A. Rolfe's "The various candidates for the Speakership Purple Lady," a musical comedictta, with his unique specialty: Maggie Cline, who is known as "The Irish Queen"; Sam Mann, who will present "The New Lead-"Slivers," in his pantomimic version of a baseball game; Charles Semon, "the mine the choice of the Assembly for its narrow fellow"; the Farber Girls, Helen Allen Shaw, the Great Ringling, Bol

ure on the bill at the Fifth Avenue this week. Bert French and Alice Eis easily earn second honors with "The Dance of Fortune." Others are the Empire Con edy Four; Mary Elizabeth-with songs and stories of her experiences in foreign lands; Jessie Keller and Tommy Weir, the blcy- from Southern states in the national cliste and the singer; Van Brothers, grotesques; Claire Vincent and company in the comedy "The Fool"; Les Jonley in feats of equilibrism; McRea and Byrnes, sharpshooters; Hallen and Burt, musical comedy favorites; Bert Howard and Effle Lawrence in "The Cigar Girl," and amusing motion pictures.

feature on the bill at the Union Square Friends of Mr. Sweet have argued that, this week. Another attraction is W. H. each Presidential campaign should be although he is a Progressive, he would St. James and company with the first probably be the most formidable candipresentation of a one-act playlet, "The date against any man that Mr. Barnes Come-On." A dancing novelty was given might select. He attended the last meet- by Max and Mabel Ford, two clever mem ing of the independent Assemblymen-elect bers of the Four Famous Fords. Others at the Hotel Brevoort, under the auspices are Meredith and "Snoozer," the bull- gressive-Republican forces. of the Progressives. It is believed he dog with a college education; Wallace Gafvin, a prestidigitateur, with his amus-Assemblyman Sweet comes from a Pro- ing egg trick; Prevest and Brown, a posed special convention to take up Republicans plan are: team of comedy acrobats: O'Brien, Dendirect primary platform to succeed a man net and O'Brien in original songs and who was turned down because he had op- dances, and Herbert Dyer and Peter Alvin in an exhibition on the flying rings.

LE ROY, TALMA AND BOSCO, "The he has consistently shown his Progressive European Mysteries," are at the Alhamtendencies. Mr. Sweet has just been elect- bra Theatre this week with their illusions. Frederick V. Bowers and company also One of the greatest problems that the appear, offering a budget of songs and Progressive menthers of the Republican comedy, and the balance of the proorganization have had was to secure a gramme includes Jack L. Gardner with progressive organization of that body. songs and recitations; Miss Norton and counter proposition to postpone the Although Chairman Barnes has denied Paul Nicholson in "A Dramatic Cartoon": proposed special convention until 1915 that Assemblyman Harold J. Hinman, the "The Girl from Milwaukee," a remarkable met with considerable favor. present Republican floor leader, is his vocalist; Arthur Deagon, the musical candidate for Speaker, it is pretty well comedy star; MacRea and Clegg, "The the convention said that a gathering in alternate for each delegate." understood that he would secure Hin- Intruder and the Queen of the Wheel"; 1914 would be premature and would man's election if he believed it possible. Fred Watson and Rona Santos, with

out the Barnes reactionary ideas if RUBE MARQUARD AND BLOSSOM SEELEY are the topline features at the cessity for a convention before 1915, The Progressive state leaders some time | Colonial this week. They are offering a | as the national committee had all the ago organized an independent conference musical comedy skit called "The Suffra- power necessary to change party rules, from the four possessions and the District of Assemblymen with the idea of holding gette Pitcher." Another headline duo although the law committee, after Democrats and Republicans, as well as sephine, lately identified with "Oh, I a national convention could change the members of the Progressive organization. Say!" and "The Passing Show of 1912." They have held several conferences, but The remainder of the bill includes Charles have not decided on any candidate for J. Ross and Mabel Fenton in a travesty Blanche Bender and company in "Poor Theodore Douglas Robinson, chairman Old Jim"; Bird Millman Trio on the wire; of the Progressive State Committee, has Burnham and Irwin, a song sketch at the strictly representative of the party, as reached in good faith, rather than on any appointed a special state committee to piano; the Six American Dancers in terp-

MITCHEL LAUGHS AT SLATEMAKERS

"If They're Right They Know More than I Do," Says Mayor-Elect-To Meet McCall.

Mayor-elect Mitchel smiled when the work of amateur slatemakers was called vention. Representatives of the four

to his attention yesterday. "I have not made up my mind on any of my appointments," he said, "and if the cided that a special convention shall people who wrote that slate are right they be held. know more than I do."

have no announcement to make prior to Jones, of Washington, and ex-Repre-December 31, with the possible exception December 31, with the possible exception sentative James E. Watson, of Indiana, of his secretary. Among the reports were have proxies and expect to take an acthat the Mayor-elect was considering two women-Miss Frances Kellor, head of the Progressive social service, and Dr. Katherine B. Davis, manager of the Bedford Reformatory-for some place in his administration.

night for the first time since his election with Judge McCall, his Democratic opponent. He is to be the guest at the annual nent. He is to be the guest at the annual dinner of Corrigan Council. Knights of Columbus, at the Waldorf. Judge McCall Williams, of Dallas, Ore., and ex-Gov-

On Friday night Mr. and Mrs. Mitchel will go to Washington to be the guests of Mrs. J. Borden Harriman. They will not return until Monday. It is understood that Mr. Mitchel is anxious to talk with President Wilson before he takes office. Among the men who saw Mr. Mitchel at

his office yesterday were Henry L. Stimson, who was a member of the fusion executive committee: John J. Hopper, formerly chairman of the County Committee with the boom started in Washington of the Independence League and Register- Saturday to make Senator Elihu Root, of elect, and Edward F. Croker, former chief New York, the Republican candidate for of the Fire Department.

Mr. Stimson said there was no place in O. B. Fuller, Auditor General, says he the gift of the Mayor he would take. It believes that Senator Root would make was rumored that Mr. Croker was a can- an ideal candidate for the Presidency on didate for Fire Commissioner, but neither the Republican ticket in 1916, and that he nor Mr. Mitchel would talk about it. he regards the New York Senator as one

EARLY CONVENTION

Continued from first page

in its convention to the colored men who are disfranchised by an arbitrary militant and unconscionable Democ racy-it will have wrought a wrong of farreaching consequence, that its new slogan of 'just and equal representation will be a misnomer and that it will have given countenance to damnable and despotic system.

"It may not be irrelevant to remark that if President Wilson's proposal of a federal primary law should take form and be enacted into a constitutional law the five perplexing problems whica I have endeavored to state in an impartial manner would disappear. Even so, the Republican party would, fancy, continue to hold national conventions, for surely the right of assem-

bly is still left to us as private citiens until the Constitution is repealed.' Charles B. Warren, of Michigan chairman of the law committee, con ferred at the Capitol to-day with Senators Cummins, Nelson, Root and others, and announced that Senator Cummins had no intention of demandadopt a general party platform

"Senator Cummins does not expect to appear before the national committee or to submit further views to it." said Mr. Warren. "He does not urge that the convention go further than the proposed change in delegate representation and party rules.

Views of Committeemen

Senator Borah's demand that the national committee go on regord as to its own view of all the proposed changes in party methods drew this statement from Mr. Warren:

"The action of the committee, if follows the plan I hope it will, will be a complete answer to that. I will offer a resolution providing that in the selection of delegates to the proposed convention state primary laws be reognized. This, coupled with the fact that the convention is called for purposes of reapportionment, will show plainly the attitude of the national committee as to these matters.

Recognition of state primary laws and reduction of the representation the more radical forces, who intend shall give to the Republican organization in each state the right to set-

That change, and the provision that run by the newly elected national committee instead of by the "holdover"

Members of the national committee still expect an effort to force the prothe question of a new party platform,

Divided as to Time.

Sentiment as to the wisdom of hold-1914 among the members of the Republican National Committee and those holding proxies who came here to attend the meeting to-morrow seemed to delegates to which it would be entitled if be about equally divided to-day. A treated as a Congressional district

Those arguing for a postponement of They maintained that there was no ne delegates to a regular national con-

vention. The argument was also advanced by would be without the protection of Roosevelt delegations from many of the states.

Boomers for a convention represent states in which are cities making bids for the meeting. Denver is said to be ready with \$50,000 for the convention and St. Louis is reported to be willing to put up \$20,000. Indianapolis and Cincinnati are also seeking the concities will submit definite propositions to the committee to-morrow, if it is de-

Governor Herbert S. Hadley, of Mistive part in the committee meetings. Governor Hadley holds the proxy of V. Loisel, of Louisiana, while Mr. Wat-Progressive social service, and Dr. Kathson has the proxy of L. B. Moseley, of
mississippi. Senator Jones has the
proxy of S. A. Perkins, of Washingministration.

Mr. Mitchel will come face to face toHart, of Idaho.

Other proxies reported to Chairman Hilles are Senator Bradley, of Ken-tucky, that of J. W. McCullough, of is to preside. Both men are members of ernor Hoggatt, of Alaska, that of W. the council.

MICHIGAN LIKES ROOT Republicans There Think He Is Presidential Timber.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Lansing, Mich., Dec. 15.-Almost with out exception political leaders in the state capital are heartily in sympathy President in 1916.

of the greatest men that the country has

L. Y. Wright, ex-Superintendent of Pubic Instruction, is of the same opinion as Auditor General Fuller. The present Superintendent of Public Instruction, Fred L. Keeler, declared that he was heartily in favor of making Senator Root the candidate.

John Haarer, State Treasurer, declares that Senator Root is one of the most capable men this country has produced n years, and he says he would favor Root's nomination.

A. C. Carton, Land Commissioner, while believing that Mr. Root has great ability, leans toward Herbert Hadley, formerly Governor of Missouri, as the most available timber for Republican Presidentia

Charles Hopkins, clerk of the Supreme Court, thinks Mr. Hadley would make a better candidate than Mr. Root, although he does not question Senator Root's

Being a Democrat, Governor Ferris does not care whom the Republicans

PERCENTAGE PLAN WINS FAVOR HERE

Young Republicans Would Lessen Power of Solid Repub-

A plan for the apportionment of dele gates to the Republican National Convention on the basis of the party vote in state and district will be laid before the national -committee in Washington to day by Robert McC. Marsh, chairman of dred other women, listened to the culospecial committee of the New York gies of her husband. Young Republican Club appointed to draw up such a plan. The committee's report was adopted by the club at its last meetng. December 9.

The new plan favors the percentage ystem of apportionment, and differs from he scheme outlined by Victor Rosewater n the last issue of "The Political Science Quarterly" in avoiding the giving of too great a preponderance to solid Republi-The Rosewater and other can states. dans recently put forward have allowed hree delegates to districts which cast fula Republican vote of more than 60 per on of the total vote.

The Young Republican Club's idea is based on the general sentiment through- the best citizenship. out the party, as far as it could be derespondence and the published utterances of the leaders of the rank and file. After elegates-at-large, as at present, it is suggested that one delegate be chosen rom every Congressional district where the vote for Presidential electors in 1908 vas at lesst 20 per cent., but no more than to per cent of the total vote, and two delegates from every district where the the year 1908 is chosen as the standard because of the peculiar conditions exist ing at the last Republican convention

Other plans called for one delegate for 10,000 Republican votes. Woman suf frage has raised an insuperable objection to this proposition, according to the report of the committee. In the ten states where women may now vote for Pres committee would satisfy practically all | dential electors the number of voters naof the demands of the so-called Pro- doubled, without any increase in the votof those states in the Electoral College which is based on population. This prob em is avoided by the percentage system. Other proposals embodied in the Young

Congressional districts in which the Republican vote for Presidential electors 1908 was less than 20 per cent of the total vote shall not be entitled to any dis ing a special national convention in trict delegates, such districts being repreented by the delegates-at-large.

"Each state having Congressmen-atlarge shall elect for each Congressman-

"Alaska, the District of Columbia, Hawaii, the Philippine Islands and Porto Rico shall each elect two delegates. "Each state and district shall elect one

The district unit rule ,s to be preserved under the Young Republican plan, and the method of election of delegates is to be determined by the Republican voters is accordance with local laws. The national committee will consist of one member from each state and one member each of Columbia.

The make-up of the temporary roll of the convention is left to the national comrule relative to the apportionment of mittee. On this point the report of the club's committee says:

"The criticism which was expressed it 1912, when analyzed, seems to have been due to the belief of the critics that the the conservatives that the delegates to decisions of the individuals constituting a convention in 1914 would not be that particular committee were not it would be possible for either side to arguable contention that the committee juggle the election of delegates, which was usurping powers which did not be long to it. The remedy for any such con law, and that the progressives would dition if it existed, would lie in changing be more likely to get out and hustle up the personnel of the committee or an appeal to their consciences, not in an altera-

POOR RECEIVE \$87,500 Five Policemen Guard Money Taken from Bank of England. (By Cable to The Tribune.)

London, Dec. 16.-Taxicabs laden with sacks of money amounting to \$87,500 left the Bank of England yesterday escorted by five burly policemen. The money was required for the annual payments of the New Tabernacle Sick and Provident Society, and the secre-Mr. Mitchel relterated that he would souri, Senator Borah, of Idaho; Senator tary whose duty it is to draw the money from the bank insisted on the five policemen treating him as prisoner in custody all the time the money was in his care.

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MAYOR-ELECT SAYS HE WANTS HIS AID

Mentions No Specific Place, but Hints He Is Slated-Hedges Jokes and Is Joked.

Robert Adamson, who was Mayor Gay or's secretary and who after the death of his chief became manager of the fusion ampaign, heard his praises sung last night until he could blush no more. A linner, which was attended by what was erhaps as representative a body of men as ever sat down in the Waldorf, was given in his honor

After Mayor-elect Mitchel, Mayor Kline Controller Prendergast and Borough President McAneny and others had told of Mr. Adamson's worth as a citizen and his achievements as a campaign manager Commissioner Edwards of the Street Cleaning Department, in a brief speech, presented to him a silver service worth \$1,000

Mrs. Adamson, who sat in the gallery with Mrs. Mitchel and nearly one hun-

Job E. Hedges, as toastmaster, made good-natured sallies at every speaker in turn, and they rejoined by reminding him that he had excused himself from taking the campaign managership, first offered him, because of ill health,

"Nobody is better than any one else ere to-night," said Mr. Hedges, "except Adamson, and he doesn't claim to be better than any one else. He has been tried and never found wanting anything he didn't get. He is modest, but tact-Mayor Kiine said he had found Adam-

son of the greatest assistance. He said the guest of the evening was a type of

Mitchel Wants Him.

Introducing Mayor-elect Mitchel, Mr. Hedges said he was not there because he had been elected, that they were not trypresent simply because he was on good the example of Job Hedges, who was terms with Adamson. He said terms with Adamson.

ust want to hear about 'Bob' Adamson. tribute to the guest of the evening for course. indertaking the management of the cam-

ful conclusion. "I hope that in the next four years

shall have the help and co-operation of Mr. Adamson in my administration," he

"There was a time,' said Mr. Mitchel, that we were looking for a manager Realizing that there is always a preponderance of Republican votes in any fusion people. ampaign, we sought the 'Noblest Roman of Them All! We sent a cablegram to Mr. Hedges. When he returned we were glad to see how well he looked. We were surprised to hear from his own lips that he was so ill he could not manage the campaign. We are glad to see to-night how well he has recovered. We understand he does not expect a recurrence of

is attack until next fall,

Next we turned to a distinguished Democrat, Mr. Adamson; who we felt could bring all the fusion elements together. The result was the fusion cause triumphed. Mayor Gaynor had asked him four years ago to assist him in what I regard as perhaps the most important place in the city administration. His success in Jacob H. Schiff, R. A. C. Smith, James that place is known to all."

Luther Little said Adamson had driven a team made up of a bull moose, part of a donkey and an elephant so that it crossed the wire ahead of the tiger team. He spoke of a pestilential breeze that had come from Albany. It was not the business of Adamson to fumigate the Hillyer represented the Atlanta Chamber breeze, he said. He was sailing the ship, of Commerce. and he trimmed the sails so the fusion ship crossed the finish line in front of its

Called "Deputy Mayor."

President McAneny said he was no sing a term drawn too strongly when he said the Mayor's secretary was really deputy Mayor, and that in that capacity Mr. Adamson had made a great success "I would wish him the best success in that all too vaguely defined place to which the Mayor-elect has referred," he added, "and in that place I am sure he will give the same fine service.

Controller Prendergast said he, was glad that Mr. Mitchel would keep Mr. Adamson in the administration, if he could. He attributed some of Mr. Adamson's ability to read human nature and understand the people to his association with Mayor Gaynor

William F. McCombs, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, said he was proud of what Mr. Adamson had ione for the election of the Democratic national ticket. He was giad that "quiet officiency" had been honored at last.

he had heard many of the praises he wrong dinner. His success, he said, had ing to work him-not yet-but he was been due to the fact that he had followed "We don't want to hear anything about Hedges had told him to take the manour policies," said the toastmaster; "we agership and he would run the campaign. He had called Hedges up when in doubt, Mr. Mitchel said he was glad to pay his and then had taken just the opposite

He praised the work done in the cam-

paign and bringing it to such a success- paign by Mr. Koenig, of the Republican organization, and that of Francis W Bird, head of the Progressives.

"Then that good Irish shillelah of Mr. Hennessy should not be forgotten," he added. "He told some raw truths, and

they helped. The success of the ticket, he added, was not due to any individual, but to the

Adamson Praises Gaynor.

"The vulgar hand of the politician will never be tolerated on the City Hali again," he added.

He praised Mayor Gaynor and expressed the belief that one of the causes of the triumph of good government at the polls was the administration given by his late

Dudley Field Malone also spoke. Among those at the guest table were R. Ross Appleton, Maurice E. Connolly, Robert de Forest, Benedict J. Greenhut, Marcus M. Marks, Douglas Mathew son, Charles J. McCormack, Rollo Ogden George W. Perkins, Herman Ridder, Speyer, Henry L. Stoddard, Archibald R Watson and the Rev. Dr. John C. York At other tables were Ogden L. Mills, Mr.

Koenig, Mr. Bird, William Loeb, tr. Henry Mann, 600 others and L. I. C. Lamar, who came all the way from Havana. A. C. Newell and William H.

REGULATES TRAIN SPEED

House Bill Extends Powers of Interstate Commission.

[From The Tribune Bureau.] Washington, Dec. 15 .- Proposing to ex-

tend the powers of the Interstate Commerce Commission to the regulation of safety devices used upon railroads and the speed at which trains are run, Representative Stevens, of New Hampsnire, introduced an important bill in the House to-day. Mr. Stevens is chairman of the sub-committee on Safety Appliances of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. The bill gives the Interstate Commerce Commission "the power, after investigation and after notice to common carriers or carrier and fixing, determining, and designating changes, improvements and repairs to Mr. Adamson, who was overcome when kind of equipment, the standard of he saw the magnificent silver service equipment and supplies, the installation brought to the speakers' table, said when of signal systems, train control devices. feared for a moment he had got into the appliances, the operating rules, regulawrong dinner. His success, he said, had tions and methods, train schedules, running time of trains, size of train crews, hours of labor for railroad employes tobe adopted, used and maintained in the operation of trains in interstate or foreign commerce

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